

THE GAZETTE.

FRIDAY MORNING, MAY 25, 1860.

MEDICINE IN JAPAN.

Medical education commences in Japan as early as the eighth or ninth year. The young student, for several years engages in reading books on medicine and surgery, and acquires some acquaintance with medicines. At a more mature age he is transferred to one of the hospitals that every where abound in the Empire, and are erected for the special benefit of the poor; and there, by the bedside, the student is taught the signs and symptoms of disease, and its appropriate treatment. Having thus been sufficiently taught, and having passed a successful examination, the young doctor receives a diploma from his teachers, and is therefore a physician in good standing, authorized to practice in every part of the Empire. Till within the last three years practical anatomy (dissections) formed no part of medical education; but its necessity is now fully acknowledged. They had, however, long been acquainted with the immortal discovery of Harvey—the circulation of the blood. Surgery is behind medicine; no operations of any magnitude, not even amputation, have been practiced in Japan, though one of the Doctors had read a book on the subject, and thought he should resort to it in a proper case. Midwifery and the treatment of female diseases are generally confined to female practitioners, the doctor being called only in extraordinary cases to afford instrumental relief. This course (want of experience) their knowledge in this branch is very limited, their methods rude, yet generally attended with marked success. Accoucheur doctors form a special branch of the medical profession. As medicines, they employ principally vegetable, and not animal substances. Simple decoction in the usual mode of preparing the vegetables. They are also acquainted with the treatment of fevers. Calomel and other mercurials are also used; those latter substances are purchased from the Dutch, who likewise furnish them with wormseed; the plant for which this is procured, they are very anxious to obtain. They do not employ general blood-lettings (as from a vein in the arm) in any disease, but abstract blood only by means of leeches. The vulgar have many superstitious notions in regard to disease and its treatment, the influence of spirits, of the stars, enchantment, &c., but the enlightened physician depends on the laws of nature, under an overruling Providence. That disease that no civilized nation (hitherto) has claimed as its own, but called after some other people; that, in connection with the great social evil, so much abounds in Christian countries, and has almost exterminated whole tribes of savages and barbarians soon after being brought into contact with civilization, has long been known in Japan, and is supposed to be indigenous, not brought by foreigners, though of late years it has assumed a more menacing appearance, but is claimed to be fully under the control of medical treatment. They employ a mineral powder called dozen, to rub the limbs of the dead in order to supple them, so as to prepare them for burial in a sitting posture; its efficacy is doubted.—*Nat. Int.*

JOURNEY UNDER PARIS.—A correspondent of a Swedish journal furnishes an interesting account of the admirably constructed sewer of Paris. The boat which descended a flight of steps to the depth of about five feet. The boat, a flat bottomed affair, was lighted by four lamps. The sewer is an arched, fifteen feet high, and of equal breadth, with a ditch or canal about ten feet wide, wherein all the dirt and filth of Paris is carried away. On the sides are sidewalks, which together are about four feet wide. The whole is built of beautiful white sandstone, and is kept remarkably neat and clean. No stench or bad smell was perceptible. The denser portion of the filth is carried away through large drains beneath the sidewalks. The sidewalks are excellent, and exhibited no signs of dampness, while the walls of the archway are kept whitewashed, and are at all times as white as the driven snow. The structure possesses the properties of an immense speaking tube, the workmen being able to converse at the distance of two miles from each other. The echo is very strong and lasting. The fabric is said to be built after a model of the catacombs of Rome, added by all the latest improvements. On both sides, at about two hundred yards distance from one another, are openings through which the workmen can ascend by means of permanent iron ladders, in case a sudden rain storm should cause the water to rise over the sidewalks, which is, however, of rare occurrence.

THE CONTENTS OF THE SEWER, of course flow into the river Seine, and the current is sufficient to carry the boat used, along with considerable velocity. Large reservoirs are constructed at intervals, into which the water can be turned for a short time in case it should be necessary to have the canal dry for a little while. The whole work was completed in two years. Besides the main canal, there are many minor ones constructed under the principal streets, all of which can be made to communicate with one another. These admirable underground works are accessible from the Louvre, the Tuilleries, and from all the barracks, and should the Parisians take a notion to harry the streets with the aid of the city, the Imperial Government might, at short notice, add without any person being aware of it, transport troops, and if there is time to make use of the reservoirs, so can cavalry also be transported the same way. There is an end to shooting on the soldiers from the windows, and a revolution in Paris will soon only be remembered among things that have been, never to occur again. Through these underground passages a prisoner can easily be taken from the Louvre to the Seine, without attracting attention, and thence sent off by railway, which is near at hand. This splendid system of sewerage was one of the pet schemes of the first Napoleon.

OPENING HYMN.—A Southern exchange paper is responsible for the following:

The Democratic Convention which is to hold its adjourned meeting at Baltimore on the 18th of June, will open its session by singing the following verse from that good old hymn by Watts, Brother B. F. Butler, of Massachusetts, will raise the tune, and the entire Northwestern Squatter Sovereignty delegation, under the lead of Richardson, of Illinois, will join in the chorus:

So when a raging fever burns,
We shift from side to side by turns;
But this is poor relief we gain,
To change the place but keep the pain.

DOORS, WINDOW FRAMES, MANTLE-PIECES, &c.—The subscriber has a large stock of the above articles, and will be well to call on him, and select such will suit, in a very order, and will be sold cheap. DOOR FRAMES with doors attached; WINDOW FRAMES with sashes to fit, and every thing complete. Apply to J. H. LAMM, at the Washington, Fairfax County, Va. my 19—2m

H. O. CLAUGHTON,
Attorney and Counselor at Law,
OFFICE NO. 7, NORTH FAIRFAX STREET,
ALEXANDRIA, VA.
Will practice in the Courts of Alexandria, Loudoun and the adjoining counties, and Washington City. my 11—3m

W. H. CROP for Horse feed, for sale by
MEADE & MARVE.
my 17

SOUTHERN MANUFACTURE.

Reaping and Mowing Machine.

FOR 1860.

KIRBY'S AMERICAN HARVESTER.

THE SUPERIORITY OF KIRBY'S AMERICAN HARVESTER, over all others, will become more obvious by looking at its several superior points in detail, and then considering that all these separate excellencies are combined in one MACHINE, in the most simple and effective manner. In some of these excellencies it is entirely unequalled, and in none of them is it surpassed. While other MACHINES may equal it in some of its desirable qualities, we can safely say there is not another MACHINE in the world which COMBINES ALL THE EXCELLENCES that are found combined in KIRBY'S AMERICAN HARVESTER.

We would call the attention of Farmers to the following facts:

1. That this is the most perfect Combined Mower and Reaper in use; better than any single mower as a mower, and better than any single reaper as a reaper.

2. That it is the strongest and the lightest; being made entirely of iron, except poles and wheels. The frame is wrought angle iron, of great strength and lightness.

3. That it has a Revolving Track-Clearer, which is the only track-clearer that will thoroughly separate the cut from the uncut grass, and without leaving the cut grass in the field.

4. That it requires less draft than any other machine.

5. That no pressure is made upon the horses' necks, and no side draft.

6. That it can be used on rough ground not equalled by any machine yet produced. The finger-bar working up and down, independent of the driving wheel, enables the machine to go through deep furrows and ditches, among stones and bogs, over knolls and gopher hills, in a manner which no other machine can follow. It will work from 2 to 15 inches high.

7. That it can be used in mowing either with or without the reel.

8. That in both mowing and reaping, the positions of the driver and raker are the most convenient and easy, enabling them to do their labor with little exertion.

9. That while the machine is in motion the driver can, by means of a lever, throw the cutters out and into gear, and anchor a lever can raise and lower the finger-bar to pass obstructions, or move from field to field.

10. That it is easily managed, marvellously simple, well built, compact, not liable to get out of order, made of the best materials, Babbitt metal boxes, and is furnished with double trees, neck yoke and extra complete.

We would request all those who are in want of a REAPER and MOWER, to send for a Circular descriptive of the MACHINE, &c., before making other arrangements. The MACHINES are in all places warranted to give satisfaction, or no sale. Manufactured by D. M. OSBORN & CO., 145, Pratt Street, Baltimore, Address

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They make up of fifteen hundred stitches a minute, and are long known in the United States, and will permit the druggists of the family, when a GROVER & BAKER MACHINE will do it better, more expeditiously, and cheaper, than can possibly be done by hand.

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Catalogues of all the Machines made by this Company to be had on application to LEADBEATER & CO., 5 mo 3—6m Nos. 5 & 7 S. Fairfax-st.

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HIGHLY IMPROVED FOR 1860.—3,000 ALREADY IN USE IN THE UNITED STATES, ALL GIVING THE BEST SATISFACTION.—Notice is respectfully given that we have been appointed by Messrs. McCormick & CO., AGENTS for the sale of their Machines, for 1860.

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Agg. and communications will receive our prompt attention.

ADISON, WALLACE & CO.,
No. 28 King-st., opp. Knox & Bro.
my 19—6m

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HAS REMOVED TO No. 44, King street, is now very complete, and his arrangements such as to enable him to sell goods at the lowest rates.—He names the following as part of his stock:

100 pairs Best Bright Springs for Carriages, Wagons, Sulkies and Seals.

200 sets Long and Short Bed Axes.

100 lbs. of Cast Iron, Warranted Axes, Vices, Belows and Hammers. Also a full assortment of Files, Screw Plates, Bolts, &c. An examination by those in want is solicited.

SPRING SUPPLIES.

THE subscribers are now in receipt of their SPRING SUPPLIES OF EARTHENWARE, of their own importation, direct to this port, per Ship Annie Laurie, from Liverpool.

Wholesale and Retail Dealers in the following: Plated Castors, in great variety.

French China Dinner and Tea Sets.

Window Glass, Cases, Mirrors, &c.

Stoneware, Pipes, and Stems.

Dejournings, Coal Oil Lamps, &c.

To which the attention of dealers is respectfully invited. [2mo 20] R. H. MILLER, SON & CO.

SEAGRAMS, Small Pans, Fishing Tackle, Dog Collars, small Pad Locks, Auction Jewelry, Gun Prizes, Blowing, White Wash Brushes, &c. Other light goods suited to the wants of retailers, can be bought at low prices at No. 88 King street. In addition, I have Lead and Slate Pencils, Paper, Envelopes and Pass Books, &c. to be sold at the lowest rates at the same place. [2mo 15] JOHN T. CREIGHTON.

100 BIRD CAGES, assorted, for sale by JOHN OGDEN, ap 24

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SOLUBLE PHOSPHATED PERUVIAN GUANO.

MADE OF GUANOS OF DIRECT IMPORTATION.

Under the personal supervision and direction of Dr. R. H. STABLER, Chemist, of this city.

THIS FERTILIZER

We confidently recommend, as the most permanent and cheapest yet offered to the public. Being composed of

NO. 1 PERUVIAN & SOMBRERO GUANOS,

OF OUR OWN DIRECT IMPORTATION, FROM THE

Chincha & Sombrero Islands.

WE WARRANT IT IN EVERY RESPECT.

THE SOMBRERO GUANO, Before being mixed, is rendered immediately soluble, by the addition of Sulphuric acid. This treatment is universally recommended by the most eminent Agricultural Chemists. Without it, the action of the two Guanos when mixed is not simultaneous, and consequently inefficient.

This is the only mixture of the Ammoniated and Phosphatic GUANOS we know of, yet offered to the Agricultural community, in a REALLY SOLUBLE FORM.

Our reports from those who applied the above FERTILIZER to their crops last fall, are highly satisfactory—so much so, indeed, as to convince us that our Soluble Phosphated Peruvian Guano will ere long be altogether used in this section, as a substitute for the Guano of the Sombrero Islands, with the addition of Phosphate, tends rather to exhaust than permanently improve the soil.

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PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 1858.—We have carefully tested the sample of Chestnut Grove Whisky which you sent us, and find that it contains none of the poisonous substance known as Fusil Oil which is the characteristic and injurious ingredient of the whiskey.

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NEW YORK, Sept. 3d, 1858.—I have analyzed a sample of Chestnut Grove Whisky, received from Mr. Charles Wharton, Jr., of Philadelphia, and having carefully tested it, I am pleased to state that it is entirely free from poisonous or deleterious substances. It is an unusually pure and fine flavored quality of Whisky.

JAS. R. CHITTENDEN, Analytical Chemist.

Boston, March 7th, 1859.—I have made a chemical analysis of commercial samples of Chestnut Grove Whisky, which proves to be free from the heavy Fusil Oil, and perfectly pure and unadulterated. The fine flavor of this Whisky is due to the Grain used in manufacturing it. Respectfully,

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If necessary, he could fill columns with the many flattering testimonials he has received with regard to the superiority of his ALES, from the press and the public; but he prefers that his ALES speak for themselves.

By a strict personal attention to business, and a determination to manufacture nothing but a superior quality of PURE ALE, he hopes to merit a share of public patronage.

BOTTLED ALE AND PORTER, put up expressly for family and constant use, and

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